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B. G. S. BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS JAN. 6

Bethel Grammar School's basketball club will open its season on Thursday, January 6, with a 4:30 game against West Paris at the William Bingham Gymnasium. At the close of school, the club was rounding into shape and appeared ready to bid for another successful season.

The starting line-up will be selected from the following group: At forward, Albert Taylor, Kenneth Delano, Paul Fossett and Dennis Wilson have shown steady progress. Frankie Murphy will draw the important pivot position as center, with Harley Merrill, Eddie Hastings, or John Marshall getting the guard assignments. Likely to see much action are Warren "Sonny" Hastings, Ronald Baker, Dick Emery, Melvin Olson, and Gerald Harrington. Seventh graders Herbie Adams, Richard Littlefield and Stanley Clough will be gaining valuable experience toward forming a nucleus for next year's club. The players have elected captains this year in the persons of Frankie Murphy and Kenny Delano.

The schedule this year calls for games with West Paris, Bryant Pond, Oxford, Norway, St. Athanasius, Rumford and Kingfield. Prospects are good, interest is high, and hope is for a successful campaign for BGS this season.

MINERAL GEM ASSOCIATION TO MEET NEXT MONDAY

The monthly meeting of the Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association will be held January 3 at the home of Dana Putnam, Rumford Corner. It was decided at the December meeting to try to get together a year book of the club's activities. Members attending the January meeting are requested to bring a list of the various specimens found at the different mines visited with the club. The first of a group of mineral studies will start with the January meeting. Feldspar is to be the first mineral subject. Those attending please bring any specimens of feldspar they may have in their collection for study.

Those present at the December meeting were: Keith Foster, Rumford Center; Robert and Norman Davis, North Newry; William Welch, Dixfield; James Faulkner, Rumford; Dorothy and Dana Putnam, Rumford Corner.

HOT LUNCHEONS TO BE SERVED BEGINNING NEXT TUESDAY

The program of hot school lunches in the Bethel village schools will be started next Tuesday at the primary building. The lunch will include one hot dish and one-half pint of milk, for 50 cents a week. Milk alone will be available, probably at recess, at 25 cents a week. The lunches will be prepared by Mrs. Mary Philbrick.

It is hoped that the pupils can tell the teachers Monday how many will want lunches.

Lloyd Lowell cut three toes badly while working in the woods Wednesday.

LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

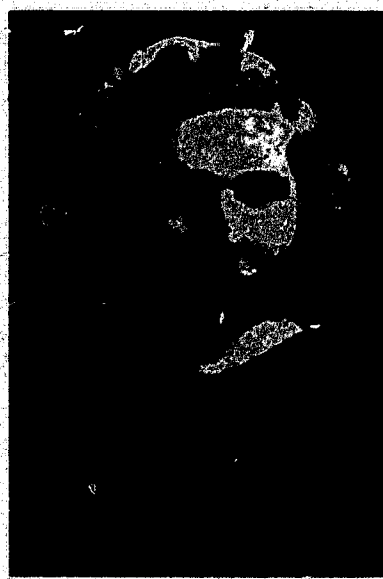
You know folks, I am not going to beat around the bush, mince words, or pussy-foot—I have concluded that the New Deal needs to be branded just precisely what it is—Socialism. The New Deal has turned out to be just another 4-bit brass watch. And not like a circus watch where you are out only 4 bits, the New Deal will be a dead horse on our back for years to come. Even our granddaughter and grandson will taste the bad flavor—and keep on paying.

But something has gotta be done. We are up to our chin in Socialism. Not far around the corner is a Govt. precisely like England floundering into. England is now stuck with it—nobody is happy there, or likes the mess. But that's the way it is—they can like it or lump it.

So here is our own "Promised Land" we have more to do than sit idle and see the country go in Europe. The horse is gone—I admit that—debt is sky high—the income tax place gives us a nightmare—but maybe the barn can be saved. It would leave at least a roof over our head.

Sisters and brothers, few of you want socialism—I don't want it. It is time for a knock down and drag-out or we are a dead duck. Tell your congressman—and don't mince words—I'm telling mine.

Yours with the low down,
JO BERRA



Miss Margaret Ames

AMES - DAVIS ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr and Mrs Kimball Ames announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Ames, to Stanley Davis, son of Mr and Mrs Earl Davis. Miss Ames graduated from Columbia High School in Maplewood, N. J., in the class of 1944. She attended Smith College in Northampton, Mass., and is now a senior at Wheelock College in Boston, Mass. Mr Davis graduated from Gould Academy in the class of 1944 and attended the University of Maine. A June wedding is planned although no definite date has been set.

ANNOUNCES INCREASES IN POSTAL RATES JAN. 1

On and after Jan. 1, 1949, domestic air mail rates will be increased to 6 cents per ounce. The limit is eight ounces. Parcels mailed on rural routes will be subject to regular rates. Higher fees also will apply to special delivery, special handling, money orders, postal notes and domestic registered mail.

ARMY'S REDUCED QUOTAS PUTS INCREASED LOAD ON LOCAL BOARDS

Brigadier General George M. Carter, Maine State Director of Selective Service, upset what he termed a popular misconception recently by declaring that Maine Selective Service Local Boards are "working harder than ever" since word came from National Headquarters that January and February calls would be much lower than anticipated.

"The Army originally asked Selective Service for a total of 20,000 men from the States and territories for January delivery, and that call has been reduced to 10,000," General Carter explained. "The February call is for 5,000, and the calls for Maine are therefore drastically reduced. But if anyone concludes that that makes the work of the Local Boards less demanding, the conclusion is erroneous."

General Carter explained that the fewer the number of men inducted, the greater the amount of care which has to be exercised in viewing each individual case, and that "paper work" is often increased, also.

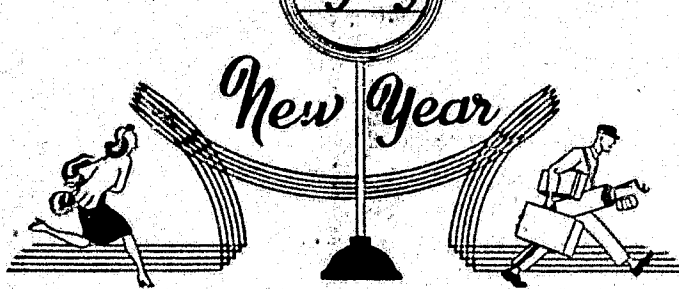
"Without in the least disparaging the magnificent work done by Local Boards during World War II operation nor discounting the headaches they had," General Carter remarked, "it is pertinent to observe that the fact that we are now inducting only a fraction of the number we were inducting during World War II doesn't make the job proportionately easier. In some way it's even more difficult, takes a greater nicety of judgment when you're called on to induct one out of ten, instead of nine out of ten."

General Carter said the Local Boards of Maine are doing "a fine job." "That's putting it mildly," he added. "Remember, they aren't paid—except in terms of satisfaction of performing a patriotic service, without fanfare and sometimes with criticism. I believe the vast majority of the people of Maine are appreciative—and that's gratifying."

General Carter pointed out that the number of Local Boards in Maine is far less than the number under the 1940 Act, as is true in the country at large. "There were 32 Local Boards in Maine then; there are 16 at the present time," he said. "Most of our Local Boards have only one clerk; not a few operate with only a half-time clerk. All this, of course, throws additional detail work on the shoulders of Local Board Members. But they're taking it in their stride. They aren't complaining."

General Carter recently returned from a three-day conference of State Directors in Washington, presided over by Major General Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service.

ALL ABOARD FOR THE



ANNOUNCE RATES AND HOURS OF NEW SKI TOW

Rates and hours of operation for the new ski tow have been decided upon and the slope will be opened as soon as a foot or more of snow has arrived. Present plans include Thursday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays, with lower rates for club members.

The probable Saturday and Sunday hours will be: morning, 9:30-12:30; afternoons, 1:45-3:30, depending on snow conditions. Thursday evening hours will be 7:00-9:30. Rates for non-members are: adults, all day \$1.25, half-day 75 cents; under 18, all day \$1.00 and half-day 50 cents. Members rates are: adults all day \$1.00 and half-day 50 cents; under 18, morning 25 cents, afternoon 50 cents, all day 75 cents.

IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Richard Lyon of Fort Dix, N. J., has been at home on furlough.

Miss Geraldine Pierce is visiting relatives at West Paris this week. Mr and Mrs Linwood Lowell and family were in Portland Wednesday.

Mrs May McCrea has gone to Ormond Beach, Fla., where she will be employed until April.

Philip Parlin and son Richard spent the holiday and week-end with relatives in Boston.

Mr and Mrs H. I. Bean will leave Monday for Deland, Fla., for the remainder of the winter.

Miss Nancy Cummings spent this week at North Newry, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Morton.

Mrs. John Lane of North Brookfield, Mass., is visiting Mr and Mrs Dana Brooks and son Jack.

Larry Tibbets of Brunswick is this week's guest of his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. R. R. Tibbets.

Brian Scotchmore is this week's guest of his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Wilfred Scotchmore, at Auburn.

Miss Ruth Donahue returned home Thursday from Norway, where she visited friends several days.

Miss Lee Nary returned Monday to Skowhegan after spending a few days with her parents, Mr and Mrs Frank Nary.

Roy Lindsey Dorey, who is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., was a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Olive Lurvey.

Mr and Mrs Oscar Tikander of South Paris spent Christmas with their son and wife, Mr and Mrs Walter Tikander.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Ramsdell and Irving Blowers were week-end guests of Mr and Mrs Dan Adams and Mr and Mrs Sherman Ramsdell at Farmington.

Members of the Gould Academy faculty in town during vacation enjoyed a party at Holden Hall Wednesday evening.

Miss Janet Palmer, who has been ill with virus pneumonia, will return to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary Friday, where she is in training.

Wilho Poristoja, manager of the West Paris cooperative store, gave an interesting explanation of the various cooperatives and their methods of doing business at the meeting of the Men's Brotherhood at the Methodist Church Tuesday evening.



FIT FOR A PRINCE . . . Students at the Russell schools in England are shown working at pieces of furniture that will be used in England's new Prince's nursery. Pupils at the school offered to make the furniture, table linen and first dress to be worn by the new Prince, and Princess Elizabeth announced that she will accept and use the offerings.

W. SCOTT ROBERTSON

Winfield Scott Robertson, of Bethel, passed away at his home Monday evening following a long period of ill health.

He was born July 10, 1858, at Bethel, son of Moses H. and Sarah Stowell Robertson.

He was a retired painter and decorator.

Surviving are his wife, the former Frances Emma Somerville, Bethel; one son, Herman, and one daughter, Mrs. Morris Hart, both of Hartford, Conn.; ten grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Private funeral services will be held this Thursday afternoon at the Greenleaf funeral home, Rev. William Penner officiating. Interment will be in Riverside cemetery.

SENATOR SMITH NAMES MEMBERS OF STAFF

Senator-elect Margaret Chase Smith announced the completion of her staff today. Members of her House staff transferring over to the Senate with her are—Mrs. Lena Batchelder Haskell of Sanford and Mechanic Falls, who has been Mrs. Smith's secretary since she was first elected to Congress in 1940; Miss Blanche Bernier of Skowhegan, who has been Mrs. Smith's personal secretary since 1941; and Miss Helen Wing of Winthrop, who first joined Mrs. Smith's staff as an assistant secretary in 1947.

New members of Mrs. Smith's staff are—William C. Lewis, Jr., of Skowhegan and Washington, D. C., formerly general counsel of the House Naval Affairs Committee, who will serve as her executive assistant; and the following who will serve as assistant secretaries: Mrs. Catherine Crowley Torre of Lewiston, now on the staff of Senator Wallace H. White; Miss Kathryn J. Mills of Monticello, recently resigned from Heath Publishing Co., Boston, and Mrs. Hazel Purinton of Lowell, formerly assistant to Dr. A. C. Christie, prominent Washington physician.

Mr and Mrs Charles Reed left Saturday for Ormond Beach, Fla.

Mr and Mrs Everett Enman and daughters, Geneva and Geraldine, of Hallowell were week-end guests of Mr and Mrs Joseph Perry.

Mr and Mrs Marsters York of Plainfield, Vt., Mrs. Albert Doyen of Farmington and Mr and Mrs Jesse Doyen and two daughters of South Portland were dinner guests Sunday of Mr and Mrs Wesley Wheeler.

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the Legion Rooms Dec. 25. It was voted to send four cartons of cigarettes to Togus. The Beano committee for Dec. 30 and Jan. 6 is Mrs. Wilfred Baker. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Gladys Bean's home Jan. 11.

A Christmas tree and baked bean supper was enjoyed at the home of Mr and Mrs Guy Rice and family. Those there were Mr and Mrs Rodney Cross and family, Mr and Mrs J. Carlton Lapham, Mr and Mrs Charles Cross, Mrs. Ethel Cross, Misses Claire and Nellie Lapham, all of Locke Mills. Roy Smith and Kenneth Swan of Bryant Pond. Mrs. Ethel Cross remained there for the night and returned to her home Sunday afternoon.



Miss Barbara Moore

HOLIDAY ENGAGEMENT

Mrs. Dorothy Moore of Bethel is announcing the engagement of her daughter, Barbara Graham Moore, to Robert Edwin Lucas of Rumford.

Miss Moore is the daughter of Dorothy Kimball and the late Nahum Moore. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Thomas Stevens of Mexico and of Wilder Kimball Sr., of Rumford Center.

She is a graduate of Gould Academy, attended Westbrook Junior College and graduated from Bates College.

She taught at Fryeburg Academy and at present is a teacher of Physical Education at Lawrence High School in Fairfield.

Mr. Lucas is the son of Mr and Mrs Edwin C. Lucas of Rumford Center. He graduated from Lewis High School at Southington, Conn., and Stanton Military Academy. For four years he served in the Airborne Forces of the United States and saw service in France and Italy. During the past year he attended a photographic school in New Haven, Conn. He is employed at the office of the Rumford Falls Times.

A summer wedding is planned.

ROBERTSON - LeCLAIR ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr and Mrs Ray York entertained at a dinner party on Christmas eve, announcing the engagement of their daughter, Carol Cooke Robertson, to Gilbert Cloyd LeClair, son of Mr and Mrs Syl LeClair of Bethel.

Covers were laid for twenty-two guests with table decorations in keeping with the Christmas season.

An original poem was read by Mrs. Henry Flint, announcing the engagement.

The guests included: Margaret Ames, Stanley Davis, Mr and Mrs Richard Bryant, Mr and Mrs Gary York, Patricia O'Brien, Bernard Boulac, Mr and Mrs Donald Merrill, Mr and Mrs George Bryant, Carolyn Bryant, John Forbes, Priscilla Carver, William Robertson, Carol Robertson, Gilbert LeClair, Mr and Mrs Syl LeClair, and the host and hostess.

Miss Robertson is a graduate of Gould Academy and the St. Louis Hospital School of Nursing, Berlin, N. H. Mr LeClair is also a graduate of Gould and attended the University of Maine at Orono, where he is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He was prominent on the college ski team. He serves two years in the U. S. Navy. Mr LeClair is in the engineering department of the Oxford Paper Co. at Rumford, and is a member of the Chisholm Ski Club. An early fall wedding is planned.

YOUR CHANCE OF FIRE LOSS
This year, according to the president of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, fire will enter one out of every 100 American homes. In these homes, it will kill thousands of people, at least 2,400 of them children. And it will leave a ghastly toll of ruin and waste behind it.

If you happen to be one of the lucky ones whose home escapes fire you may think it's no problem of yours. You'll be dead wrong. The burden of paying for fire falls on all of us. A fire which destroys a great forest or a producing factory makes every American poorer, in loss of taxes, jobs, purchasing power, and national resources. Fire is the enemy of employment, production, and a high standard of living for the people.

Every American, as a result, has a direct and personal interest in fire prevention. His life and his home and his business are at stake. And so, going beyond purely personal considerations, is the economic health and prosperity of the community and the country. The billions that go up in smoke and flame are lost to us forever—and so are the lives of those who are burned to death.

Soon we will be in a new year. It can be a year in which loss of life and property by fire is cut to a fraction of past totals. Or it can be a year in which, because of our carelessness and indifference, destruction rages on. It is up to us to make the choice.

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BROWNS MARRIED 50 YEARS CHRISTMAS DAY

Mr and Mrs Harry H. Brown of Bethel quietly observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Christmas Day, with friends and relatives for dinner. In the afternoon many gifts were presented. Visitors were Mr and Mrs Albert H. Brown and son, Harold, of Mexico; Mr and Mrs Noel V. W. Smith of Northampton, Mass., and Mr and Mrs Harold E. Hall of Milton, Mass. Mr and Mrs Brown were married by the Rev. Frank E. Barton in Bethel Dec. 25, 1898. They have continued to live in Bethel since then.

GEORGE A. MUNDT POST AMERICAN LEGION

During the past several weeks a number of legionnaires have given blood transfusions at hospitals in this vicinity. We of the legion are only too happy to offer this service to the community, however, our list of blood types of all legionnaires, and all veterans for that matter, is far from adequate. All veterans, legionnaires or otherwise, are urged to contact either John Compass or Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven and let them know your blood type for any future emergency calls. For those who do not remember their type, you need only to stop in at the Rumford Community Hospital when in that vicinity and the technician will type your blood. This is an important service to the community and your cooperation is needed.

Plans are underway to have the Post operate the lunch room at the new ski tow where they shall sell hot coffee, hot dogs, sandwiches, candies, etc. When opened the lunch room will only be run on week ends and on holidays. If conditions warrant, the lunch room will be operated every evening. Exact date of the opening will be announced at a later date. We want to wish the Bethel Ski and Outing Club all kinds of success and want them to know that any time the Legion Post can do anything to help out that they only have to call upon us.

As many of you know, among our many activities, the legion sponsors the beano games held every Thursday evening at the Post Home on Main Street. Games start at 8:00 P. M. with refreshments served during the evening. To those of you who have not attended, we urge you to do so for an evening of wholesome entertainment. To those of you who have attended the games, be sure to come again and bring your friends and neighbors with you.

May we remind all veterans in the town of Bethel and outlying districts that they are eligible to belong to the American Legion and are urged to attend our next regularly scheduled meeting, Jan. 11, 1949 at the Post Home on Main Street at 8:00 P. M., at which time they can complete applications for membership. Various forms of recreation are enjoyed by the members before and after the meeting. Come on fellows, let's all get out and join the American Legion. It's your organization and is here in Bethel for you.

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Flight of Business
 What should a business firm do when it finds that wage demands have put its expenses up higher than the income it can reasonably expect? This is the plight facing many businesses today. Some of them are taking flight to fairer climes. Perhaps you have heard of the big textile factory that decided to leave New England. No, it didn't just go to the South. It decided to leave the States entirely and go to Porto Rico. It had to go somewhere. It had to stay in the black, or close down.
 Our industries will not all go to Porto Rico, but this incident is a handwriting-on-the-wall message addressed to all of us. When a business reaches the saturation point, where it cannot collect more income (in the form of new business, increased sales, or higher prices), then something's got to happen. If it cannot cut expenses then it may go broke. This situation is tough on little businesses especially, but it's dangerous, even to big ones.

Glimmer of Prosperity
 Maybe this thing explains our increasing rate of business failures. When the break-even point is so high and so close, even a little drop in income or a step-up in expenses can put a company in serious danger. It doesn't make any difference, either, that the volume of business today is so big. Most of our companies have to do two to five times the amount of business they did before the war, just to break even.

A Mutual Interest
 American workers are smart. Their good sense is needed today as never before. They can do a lot to help industry get on a sound footing. They know we can avoid misunderstandings that are so common if everybody sees that industry's problems are also America's problems. Labor can seriously consider the important things. Labor can help work out solutions that are to the best interest of both industry and the general public, knowing that these are also very important to labor.

Take this inflation, for example. That old spiral, that always catches you right between the pay-check and the grocery store, can be scotched. One solution is greater production. Labor knows a lot about production problems. Are workers any less interested in higher output, because high output is something that also interests the management and the public? No, they still want production to be high. Increased production, if it delivers goods to the public, softens the danger of runaway prices. High output also makes it possible for the company to pay continued high wages.

Our Own Creation
 Some American workers have had experience with businesses that couldn't pay. A company that is in danger of failing up is no good as an employer. Therefore, the problem facing the boss in his effort to show more income than expense is also the problem of the worker. If a business gets on the run (it may not want to move to Porto Rico), this indicates that something is seriously wrong. Ten to one, the income is not up to the output. Labor may have some of the answers. A lot of Americans may be fooled by the seemingly endless bounty of business. Government, also, is expected to give and give and give. Yet, it doesn't make sense to expect either of them to keep on giving forever. Neither government nor business ever actually creates a dollar of wealth. Each can give benefits only out of that which it receives. By the same token, our high living standards are actually the products of our own intelligent work and continued high production.

Chrysanthemums and Tulips are the flowers and plants for November, Narcissus and Turquoise for December.

More than 600 million board feet of lumber was produced in Japan in the month of August.

Dale Carnegie

Author of
 "HOW TO WIN FRIENDS AND INFLUENCE PEOPLE"

TENACITY PAYS OFF

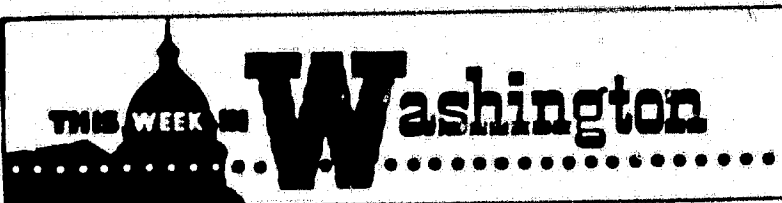
I READ the other day how well Howard Lindsay was paid for the seventeen days of work during which he collaborated with Russell Crouse on Life With Father. The figure given was something like \$250,000. But let's look into this.

I go back some years to the time when I first knew Howard Lindsay. We were both on the stage, going out in road companies, at a pitiful money reward. We didn't think so, at the time, however, for we were both enjoying our work. Money came second. After I found out that acting was not what I wanted, Howard went on, stuck closely to the stage. He went from small acting roles to property man, to assistant stage manager of road companies, to stage manager, to a director of Broadway shows, to writing plays and after awhile getting one produced; then to acting more important roles than he had ever dared to dream he would—or did he? He probably did, at that.

Howard's first play was produced by George Tyler for whom Howard had worked faithfully as stage manager, assistant director, and director. His faithfulness to duty created in Mr. Tyler a strong desire to see Howard get ahead. He liked this chap with so much integrity. The play succeeded, and from there Howard in time stepped right on up to the top.

During the years he was climbing, there were times when he didn't know where the money was coming from for next week's meals. I've known him to go through every sort of discouragement, including having others dependent upon him for living expenses—though I never knew him to look upon that responsibility as a discouragement. But during all the years I've known him, I've never known him to waver in what he wanted to do, I've never known him to consider deserting the theatre.

Has it paid off? Well, you know the answer, and you know that it has paid off, even though his close relative, his Uncle Sam, has stood right there looking over his shoulder and reaching out his hand for a large share of Howard's profits in order to finance wars and to meet other responsibilities. But whatever Howard pays to the government, he will always be rich, for he will always be doing the kind of work he loves.



WHAT WILL THIS NEW YEAR BRING FOR ME?

For a comparative few the delusions of this new year will be converted to the great majority of the American people in the home towns and rural communities of the nation the answer to the C-cash question is to be determined largely by how this congress carries out the platform pledges of the Democratic party and the campaign promises of President Harry S. Truman.

Unfortunately the answer cannot come soon. Likely it will be five to seven months into the new year before much of the proposed new legislation gets into the statute books. For gathered here in Washington today are powerful interests representing the forces of many opposing factors determined to stage a last ditch stand to defeat many of the Truman proposals, particularly where federal government regulation is involved.

The powerful pressure lobby groups have already started the propaganda mills rolling in the fields of economics, education, health, extension of social security legislation, the farm program, housing, labor, public power, and reclamation. During the next few months you will hear much of "socialism" and "socialistic trends." Already the charge has come that the government is seeking to destroy the profit system and private enterprise. From the opposite source comes the charge that corporations are hoarding money, piling up surpluses and reducing mass purchasing power to create an artificial depression.

Hearings have been underway for weeks seeking to determine whether corporate profits are too high. Facts are that profits have quintupled since pre-war when they ran almost four billion dollars. During the years of the war when there was a measure of government control, profits leaped to 18 billions. In 1944 they were almost 13 billions; in 1947 they were about 18 billions, and this year more than 20 billions. . . . some sources say as high as 26 billions.

For the same period, however, wages have only doubled and in many of the non-union fields, have not even doubled. In the hearings before the senate committee the ser-

poration heads pleaded that their profit dollars were only 60-cent dollars this year. But, so are the wage dollars only 60-cent dollars and the money in the pay envelope will buy less than right after the war before OPA was liquidated. There is some evidence to back up the charge that corporations are hoarding money. During pre-war years corporations normally paid about 70 percent of profits in dividends. In 1947 they only paid 40 percent, and this year only 35 percent, or just half of pre-war dividends. . . . and only about 6 percent went into plant extensions and improvements.

In the meantime, average farm prices are sliding down the wagon. Corn was down to the lowest point in two years and a further slide of all farm prices during the coming months appears in the picture, with the farmers' producing costs still holding the highest in history, about 7 per cent over 1947. So what this congress does about farm prices and other prices, what it does about wages, is highly important to the economic picture of what happens to the folks in the home towns of the country.

This reporter predicts that the congress will boost the minimum wage to at least 75 cents an hour; enact a rigid instead of a sliding farm price support program, and pass an excess profits or increased corporation tax in higher brackets to slash corporate profits. Further moves to hold profits in line will likely come from strengthening of the anti-monopoly laws.

Six of the first 12 states having the highest per capita income are western states and believe it or not the highest is Nevada with a per capita income of \$1,843. Other western states in the group are California, Colorado, Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming. Five of the top 12 are northeastern states and include New York, Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey and Rhode Island. Only one mid-west state, Illinois, is in the first dozen. Number 66 on the list is Mississippi with \$290 and next lowest is Arkansas with \$296 per capita income.

Phone The Item
 AND IT WILL
 BE IN THE PAPER

New Year Resolutions



UN-AMERICAN

NO one believes that Harry Truman is Joe Stalin's confidential agent in the U. S. A. because he talks about red herrings, nor does any one think Atty. Gen. Tom Clark is the Western representative of the Russian secret police just because he hasn't sent Wm. J. Foster to jail yet. These busy men already have 25 hours work to do in every 24 and maybe they haven't given as much attention to the growing threat of Communism in this country as it deserves. It now seems probable however that public sentiment will compel them to give more of their already scarce time to what Americans are at last beginning to consider a very real danger, namely—Communist infiltration—on a huge scale—in our schools, and in our whole national fabric.

It is difficult for the ordinary citizen to comprehend why the President, and others in high office, are seemingly so opposed to the continuance of the House un-American activities committee. About the most outstanding reason thus far given the public is that members of this committee are "headline hunters."

This nation is facing the most sinister and the most treacherous enemy that even history has ever known. This enemy has already suborned, and made traitors of, many perfectly good American citizens. The U. A. C. has brought these facts to the public's notice, and has done much to awaken the people to the realization that there exists a cancerous growth which must be destroyed if we wish to preserve our present system.

The very fact that left wing groups all over the country are clamoring for the abolition of this committee; the very fact that Representative Emanuel Celler of New York is reportedly moving to blanket its "destructive tactics"—should be sufficient to arouse the suspicions of a dead man!

Already letters are reported to be pouring in to U. A. C. members, supporting their work. But if we are interested enough in our future to write, we had much better write our own representatives in Congress, and the President, and tell them what we want done. They are our arbiters while they are in office; and they alone can continue or discontinue the U. A. C.

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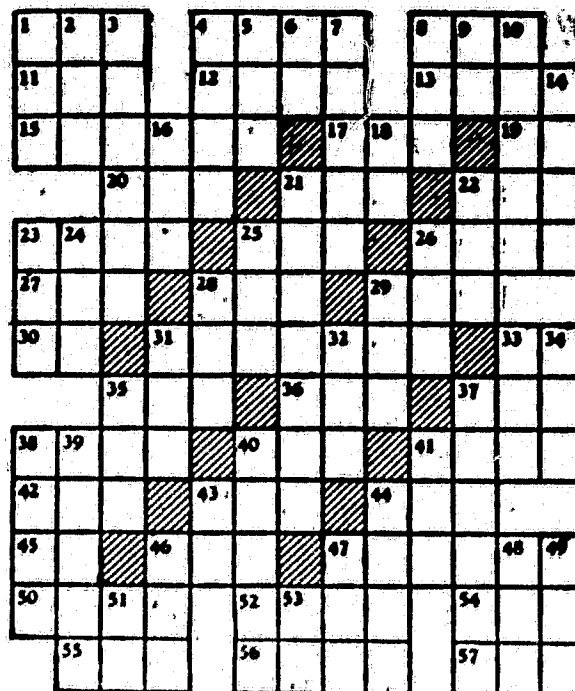
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 1 To sleep
 2 Plane surface
 3 Adversary
 4 Silkworm
 5 Side post of a door
 6 Red on which a wheel revolves
 7 Healing
 8 Offer
 9 All right
 10 To make firm
 11 To annoy
 12 To imitate
 13 Summit
 14 War god
 15 Part of respect
 16 March
 17 That man
 18 Card game
 19 To desert
 20 Fish eggs
 21 To drag
 22 Long
 23 Electrified particle
 24 Flat-bottomed boat
 25 High note
 26 Poker stand
 27 In what way
 28 Eggs
 29 Moral
 30 Four
 31 Eon
 32 Goddess of the morning
 33 To be in suspense
 34 Tiding
 35 Negative
 36 Gaffer's mound
 37 Pronoun
 38 To regard
 39 VERTICAL
 1 To point
 2 Constellation
 3 Petty blunder
 4 Son of
 5 Telemachus
 6 Male sheep
 7 Printer's measure
 8 Monastery
 9 Grass
 10 Bovine quadruped
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ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Happenings That Affect the Dinner Table, Dividend Checks and Tax Bills of Every Individual—National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare

At extended intervals, Marshal Stalin has met and talked with foreign interviewers. Among the Americans so favored have been Roy Howard, Elliott Roosevelt, Harold Stassen, and Walter Duranty. In every case, Stalin's remarks for foreign publication have been of an amiable and conciliatory character. Their basic theme has been an expressed desire for peace, buttressed by the statement that communism and capitalism should be able to exist together in the world in harmony.

These interviews have always been happily received in this country and elsewhere. They seemed to contain grounds for an optimistic estimate of future world trends. Unfortunately, however, there is an amazing contradiction in what Stalin has said for foreign consumption, and what he has told the millions of Russians he rules at home.

That contradiction is the subject of a long article in Foreign Affairs, signed with the nom de plume Historicus. The magazine believes this is the first time a documented study has been made of the matter. In order to obtain his material, the writer examined everything published by Stalin since February, 1919, which was in itself a heavy job of research. In this connection, it should be recognized that Stalin's writings are practically required reading in Russia. One of his books "History of the All-Union Communist Party," has had a distribution of 31,000,000 copies. Another major work, "Problems of Leninism," has been published in 11 editions, and the 1947 printing alone totaled 4,000,000 copies. It is extremely significant that none of his interviews with foreign reporters has been reprinted in his voluminous works in Russian.

A typical, and much-publicized Stalin interview was that given to Roy Howard. This was in 1936. He said that the Soviet Union never had plans for fostering revolutions in other countries because exporting revolution is nonsense. In 1943, in a letter to a Reuters correspondent, he stressed the alleged fact that the Comintern had been dissolved, and said that this "exposes the lie...that Moscow intends to intervene in the life of other states and 'bolshelize' them." Numerous other statements made by him follow about the same line.

So much for what the Marshal wishes the people beyond the iron curtain to believe. Historicus cites passages after passage from Stalin's published and enormously read works which show that a central feature of his theory of revolution is that the Soviet Union must be used as the base for the development of world revolution—and, if necessary, by armed force. This idea is repeated constantly, in various forms and phrasings.

Thus, in a passage which has

been in print from 1924 to the present, Stalin says that "after organizing its own Socialist production," the victorious proletariat in one country should stand up "against the remaining capitalist world, attracting to itself the oppressed classes of other countries, raising revolts in those countries against the capitalists, and their governments." Certainly nothing could be plainer than that. It is a clear call to arms against capitalism. Of it, Historicus writes: "The supreme aim of world revolution is the logical outcome of Stalin's entire theoretical position...notably the thesis that capitalism is a single world system fatally torn by contradictions which can be cured only by a consciously directed socialist revolution. Granted these assumptions, the determination to use the foothold won in the Soviet Union as a base for world revolution, is elementary common sense."

Historicus states that one of Stalin's favorite passages was written by Lenin, and goes as follows: "We live...not only in a state but in a system of states, and the existence of the Soviet Republic side by side with the imperialist state for a long time is unthinkable. In the end one or the other will conquer. And until that end comes, a series of the most terrible collisions between the Soviet Republic and the bourgeois states is inevitable." Stalin quoted this bit of prophecy in an article of his own, and commented: "Clear, one would think."

The substance of Historicus' study is summed up in these words: "The ultimate resort to armed force is a logical development of the Leninist thesis that only consciously-led revolution can drive the capitalists from the stage of history. The assumption that the world has been fundamentally divided into two camps since the October Revolution runs through Stalin's writings from his early days and is grounded in his Marxist philosophy." In other words, he has never ceased preaching the hard gospel of Soviet-directed war and revolution to the Russian masses.

Historicus' article is important as a contribution to modern history. It is also important as a guide to the way this and other Western nations should regard pronouncements of policy from Stalin and other top communists. The obvious fact is that Stalinist tactics call for building up hatred and distrust of the capitalist world at home, even as an attempt is made to quiet the fears and suspicions of the people in other lands.

See you now in the CITIZEN.

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By Fred F. Bean, Treas.
Bethel, Maine

SUNDAY RIVER

The Sunday River Church school closed for the winter with a Christmas tree and the following program on Dec. 22.

Prayer—Julie Reynolds; Song—Greetings—Mary Gilman; Peace and Happiness—Roberta Bean; A Yuletide Question—David Errington; Old Santa—Clifton Jackson, Jr.; My Bell—Shiela Roberts; The Shining Star—George Reynolds; Song—Oh Little Town of Bethlehem—All; Jesus' Childhood—John Gilman; On Christmas Night—Charles and Dana Bean; The Christmas Morn—Gerald Kingsbury; Christmas Message—Kenneth Nowlin; Song—Drive Dull Cares Away—School; Winter—Patricia Jackson; Christmas—Carolyn Reynolds; Christmas—Elizabeth Jackson; Christmas Shopping—Clyde Nowlin; Song—Beautiful Christmas Bells—School; Christmas Morn—Barbara Reynolds; A Big Christmas Wish—Dale Kingsbury; Jolly Santa—Boys and Girls; Our Talent Scout—David Fleet introduced Miss Laura Yates, Mrs. Johnnie Nowlin with guitar, Carl Nowlin and Raymond Nowlin. Miss Yates and Raymond Nowlin sang several Christmas songs accompanied by Mrs. Nowlin and Carl Nowlin. This was very much appreciated by all present.

The program closed with "Our Christmas Wish," by all the children. The tree was very much enjoyed by the children. All were treated to candy and pop corn. We wish to thank all who have helped to make 1948 a success.

The Guy Scribners spent Christmas with their daughter and family at Norway.

Mr and Mrs Asher Runnels and son, Charles, spent Christmas in Boston.

The R M Beans had a Christmas party with most of their children present.

Helen Williamson is home from Norfolk, Va., for Christmas vacation.

Sherman Williamson is home from Livermore Falls for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Willie Powers were at Claude Collins' in Upton for Christmas.

The R M Fleets entertained Mrs B A Brooks, Miles Brooks and Miles Jr., and Florence Brooks.

Mrs Ethel Blase called at R M Fleets Thursday and reported that Charles Frost was soon to be removed to Lewiston for further treatment.

SOUTH BETHEL

Horace Tibbets has sold a cow to Mr Redding of West Paris.

Herbert Hatfield was a Christmas day caller of Mrs Capitola Knights.

Harry Page recently called on Ernest Brooks.

Mrs Blanche Mason and family were at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Frank Brooks recently.

Mr and Mrs Elbert Raymond of East Sumner spent Christmas day with Mr and Mrs Frank Brooks.

Charles Mason and daughter, Alice, were also callers of Mr and Mrs Frank Brooks.

Mrs Roger Brown visited her mother in Hanover one day last week.

Mrs Agnes Walker spent Christmas day with her son, Gerald Walker, and family.

Merle Hinkley and son, Richard, are working in the woods for Francis Brooks.

Mrs Freeman Stevens is staying a few days with her mother at Norway.

Fred Cole is working in the woods for Francis Brooks.

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INAUGURATION

WASHINGTON is preparing for the largest, most colorful inauguration since Franklin Roosevelt's first when more than 500,000 came to celebrate—even though many of them could not pay their hotel bills because of the country-wide bank closings.

Although President Truman's inauguration will take place on Jan. 20, the celebrations will last for a week, from Jan. 16-23. Washington's clubs, embassies and legations will have open houses and receptions for visitors; department stores will put on special displays; night clubs will have special shows; all of Washington's sight-seeing attractions will be open day and night; the Freedom Train will be in town—and the Smithsonian Institution will stage a special exhibit of gowns worn by Presidents' wives at other inaugurations.

The week-long celebration, which is expected to bring 750,000 to the Capitol, will be a gay, showy affair because its organizer, Melvin D. Hindrich, is an old circus man and has been for 25 years the attorney for Ringling Brothers.

The greatest single expense of the inaugural will be the \$80,000 grandstand in front of the Capitol, where 12,000 invited guests will watch the President take the oath of office. This expense Congress will pay. Aside from the grandstand, congress has nothing to do with the expenditures for the inauguration. The money to run the show—about \$200,000—is being put up by a committee of Washington business men.

Washington's business men, however, will not lose any money. Many hotels and restaurants have jacked up their prices from five to 30 per cent. The visitors who remain in



The gay, expensive inauguration of President Truman on Jan. 20 will be in sharp contrast to the brief and simple ceremony which marked the 1945 inauguration of the late President Roosevelt. This picture was taken at that last Roosevelt inaugural and shows a relatively carefree Harry S. Truman standing beside his former overburdened chief.

Washington for three or four days are expected to spend an average of \$100 each.

President Truman himself is anxious to start his new term with a bang-up affair. He has stated that he hopes it will not be too plush or too expensive for people to enjoy. What he wants, he has said, is a "real people's inauguration."

The great bugaboo, of course, is housing. Together, Washington's 59

licensed hotels have only 12,000 rooms. The inaugural housing committee is expected to get 100,000 spare rooms in private homes. It also will ask each of the embassies to take in governors or other distinguished guests. Finally, Pullman trains on sidings will be used for sleeping accommodations and many of the visitors who cannot be housed in Washington will stay in Baltimore and other nearby towns.

WEST GREENWOOD

Miss Wilma Croteau of Dorchester, Mass., is enjoying a vacation

dinner guests Sunday of their son, Daniel Wight, and family at Rumford.

Paul Wight will leave Wednesday for Corpus Christi, Texas, where he will be stationed for several weeks.

A family Christmas party and tree was held at the home of Mr and Mrs Fred Wight, Saturday night. Those present were: Mr and Mrs Willard Wight, sons Stephen and David, Newry; Mr and Mrs Carl Calvin, son Lynn, Sanford; Mr and Mrs Daniel Wight, sons Eric and Kevin, Rumford; Mr and Mrs L E Wight, Miss Carrie Wight, Johnnie Wight, Mr and Mrs F W Wight, Paul and Owen Wight.

Mr and Mrs Robert Davis entertained the Davis families at a Christmas dinner and tree Sunday the 26th.

Mr and Mrs Erving Mills and son and friend of Norway called at Mrs Amy Bunker's one evening last week.

Mrs Paul Croteau and daughter, Wilma, accompanied Mrs Alden Wilson to Norway one day last week.

Mr and Mrs Roland Neault of Lewiston spent the holidays at Mrs Amy Bunker's.

Mr and Mrs Robert Deegan spent Christmas with her parents Mr and Mrs Davis at West Paris.

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Perfect Stranger

By Jack Mosher

After all, Celia couldn't help feeling sorry for the lonely young man, nor could she know how it would all turn out.

THE first thing Celia Brandon noticed about him was the way he sat. As if, she thought, studying the man at the corner table across the top of her menu, he had been propped up in his chair and was likely, at any minute, to go sliding off on the floor.

"Does he come in often?" "Yes-s, Miss," said her waiter. "Every night this week, he come. But he does not eat. He just-a sits and sits."

Celia examined her find more closely. His hair was graying much too rapidly, and his clothes were much too shabby for Clarendon's, which was on 52nd, just around the corner from the theatre district.



He rose and came toward her table.

"Perhaps," she said, "he hasn't the price of a meal."

"Then why does he come?" "The waiter's attitude, Celia felt, was a coldly commercial one. The

say most folks with something to sell looked upon those who had no money to buy. And determined to put the waiter in his place, she said,

"I thought his face was familiar. Yes, of course it's Freddy Malone."

"Tell him," she said, "that I'd like him to join me."

"Yes-s, Miss!"

For a moment after the waiter had delivered this invitation uncertainty

marked the man's lean features. But when Celia countered with just the right degree of warmth in her own—the degree one would extend to a man friend not seen in many years yet warmly remembered—his

face and came toward her table. He walked unsteadily and she

wondered if he might be intoxicated. If that explained his propped-up ap-

pearance of a moment ago. Then he was alongside, bowing just a little

from the waist, and she was saying, "It's so good to see you again, Fred."

"Yes, isn't it," he said, "Thanks for asking me over."

His tones made her feel that he was hungry. It was as if every word he spoke was scraped from the walls

of his stomach, left some mark. And now that he was closer she could not

misinterpret the suffering which lined his face.

More than food, she felt certain, was needed here. He needed good

sheer. Someone to talk with. "How about a Martini?" she said.

"A pepper-upper, as they say."

He turned to the waiter, chuckling mischievously.

"A pepper-upper," he ordered, "for the lady." Then, when the waiter

had gone off and leaning closer, he said a bit of that one for thinking

across the white table cloth, "Look!

It's damned nice of you. Having me like this, I mean. But I can't accept."

"Forget it," Celia said, trying her utmost to spare him. "I don't know about you, but I'm hungry. Let's concentrate on dinner."

"Yes, of course. The dinner."

"How about some sea food?" "Not for me," He made a wry face. "I've just come from there. Maybe you took notice of my roll."

"I wondered what it was."

"It's the genuine article," he assured her. "A Clyde-Mallory Line freighter just brought me back from the Far East . . . You see," he hurried on as if he had just so much time in which to tell it, "I struck it

tough in Singapore. Went out there to work for a big oil company. It wasn't so big, because it folded a few weeks after I arrived. I was on the beach three months, broke to the wide, before I got this chance to

work my way home."

"Forget that now," Celia said, judging from his tones that every word must be an effort for him. "This spaghetti Italiane sounds mighty good to me."

"But I can't forget," he insisted. "And I think you should hear me out. Have you ever," he demanded, while Celia could find not a word with which to check him, "known what it is to be hungry, to starve?"

"I can well imagine, Celia interrupted, more firmly this time. "I've heard New York is no different than Singapore if it comes to that. But let's get on with ordering now, eh?"

"Yes, of course. Ordering."

He rounded the least bit let down. But he bucked up as the menu progressed.

"I must see more of you," he said. "You do me good."

"We do each other good, you mean."

"That's it!" He was as enthusiastic as a school boy attending his first grown-up date. "And look," he assured her, "I'll make up for tonight's dinner just as soon as I get placed."

"Don't mention it."

"I could get a job in Mexico. There's a fellow—"

"But why not try here in New York?"

"In an office?"

"Not necessarily."

"Then what?"

"Had you ever thought of acting, Celia said as the waiter returned with a small silver tray containing a half dollar and three thin dimes. You know what they say? If you can't make a go of anything else you're sure to click on the stage. And it seems to me," she added, making a fine show of waving the waiter and the eighty cents away, "that with the experience you've had knocking around the world you could put a lot of punch into play-acting."

"Maybe you're right. In fact, I know you're right."

"What do you mean?" He smiled broadly.

"Simply," he told her, "that I AM stage. I've just been putting on an act here. Heh-heh-heh for my new play. I need a girl to play opposite me. She's rich as all get out. Money doesn't mean a thing to her. That's exactly the kind of girl you are in real life. So how about coming around in the morning to sign a contract? I'm Noel Howard."

"Noel Howard?" Celia didn't spare the name mentioned with awe around casting offices where she had spent months trying to get a small part in his new production—in any production. "Then, Helen mug!" she flung at him. "How about buying me another dinner right now? I couldn't eat a bite of that one for thinking I'd spent my last five dollars . . ."

"EASY DOES IT"

By HELEN HAIN

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1 teaspoon vanilla
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1/2 cup chopped pecans

Cook the first three ingredients in a sauce pan for 10 minutes. Stir all the time to prevent burning. Add vanilla and pour into a buttered pan. Lay chocolate bars on top while the candy is still hot. Sprinkle with the chopped pecans. Cool and break into pieces.

If your rugs curl at the wrong ends, turn them on the wrong side. Dampen and press with a hot iron. Allow to remain on the wrong side for a few hours.

If sediment collects in glasses, pots or containers, place some vinegar up them, enough to cover the sediment, and let stand for at least 10 minutes. Pour out vinegar and wash with clean water and they will be thoroughly clean.

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Rub your faucets and other metal fixtures with polish when cleaning. The oiliness of the polish prevents them from becoming spotted with water and will also tend to prevent rust from forming.

Blow crack fillers in airtight containers in the repair closet so that they will not dry out.

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STATE OF MAINE December 24, 1948

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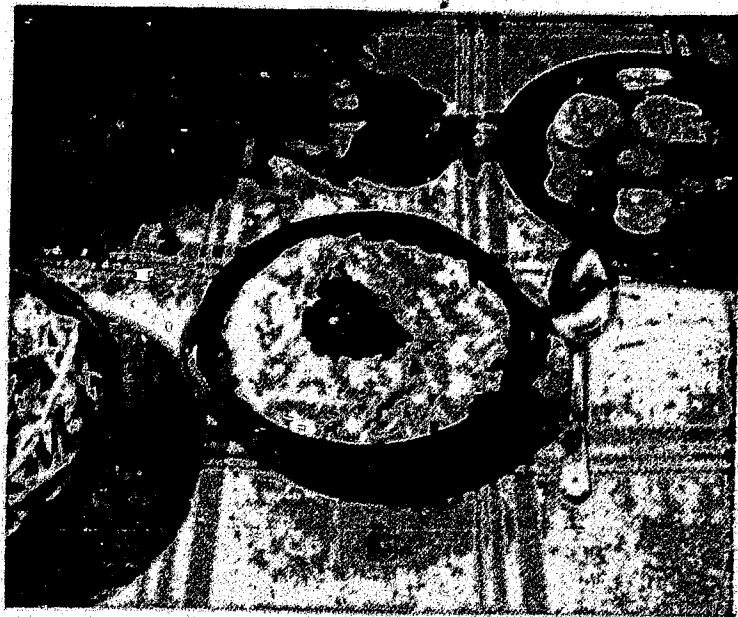
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2 cups milk

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1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

1 cup direct celery

2 tbsp. chopped parsley

1 tsp. grated onion

1 tsp. shortening

Make a white sauce of 3 tbsp. shortening, flour, and milk.

Season with salt, pepper, and Worcestershire sauce; add

grated cheese. Saute celery, parsley, and onion in 1 tbsp. of shortening until celery is lightly

browned. Fold into white sauce. Fold in the fish, being careful

not to mash it. Serve hot over biscuits, toast, or mashed potato.

Serves 4 to 6.

SOUTH ALBANY

Miss Ivy Philbrook, a teacher in the junior college in Montpelier, Vt., is spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kimball Christmas Day.

Verna Robinson and Dorothy Dunham called at Leon Kimball's Thursday afternoon.

Ernest Wentworth called at Roy Wardwell's one day last week.

Mrs. Arthur Wardwell and daughters, Jane and Jean, returned

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WEST BETHEL

Richard McLaughlin died early Sunday morning at the CMG Hospital in Lewiston after a long period of failing health. He was born in Canada but had lived in this country for about fifty years. About three years ago he and Mrs. McLaughlin moved to West Bethel. Besides his wife he is survived by a daughter and several grandchildren at Eagle Lake, Maine. Funeral services and interment will be at Eagle Lake.

Mrs. Margery Mason, who has been very ill at her home, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cushing and family were Christmas guests of his parents.

Kenneth Casey and Mrs. Elsie Casey of Portland are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Casey and family for the week.

Mrs. Ada Rolfe is recovering from her recent illness. Her daughter, Mrs. Carla Bennett is caring for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bean of Bethel.

Mrs. James Westleigh has been spending the week at home from her work in Rumford.

Mrs. Mary Turner spent Christmas at Gilead with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McAllister.

Mrs. G. E. Mason is at home from Connecticut.

Miss Alice Barker has gone to Bethel to spend the winter with Mrs. Mabel Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Head and family spent Christmas with relatives at Bartlett, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Carreau of Berlin, N. H.; Mrs. James Breton of Methuen, Mass.; Mrs. Joseph Sharodoski of Everett, Mass.; Mrs.

Robert Neil, Mr. and Mrs. Lacroix, Mrs. Ajutor Rheume, all of Berlin; Mrs. Diank Boulanger and Henry Boulanger of New Auburn, all are visiting at the home of Mrs. Adelaide McLaughlin, called here by the death of Richard McLaughlin.

GROVER HILL

Mrs. N. A. Stearns, Correspondent

Holiday Guests:

Miss Alice Mundt of Worcester, Mass., was with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Mundt and brother James. They, together with the family of Malcolm Mundt, were Christmas dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mills, at the Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bean and daughter, Connie, were entertained by Mr. Bean's mother, Mrs. Harry Jordan, Bethel Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Skillings joined a family party at their grandson's, Elton Coullidge's, Park Street.

Howard Waterhouse dined with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Waterhouse and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Whitman accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rogers of South Waterford to Bartlett, N. H., where they enjoyed the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Whitman and children.

Mrs. Nathan A. Stearns was quite severely ill a few days recently.

A solitary brown creeper is another winter bird which is sharing in the dote at our well-patronized feeding station. Besides the creeper there are white-breasted nuthatches, chickadees, hairy and downy woodpeckers, and bluejays.

The latter, despite their bad reputation, seem to feed peaceably with the smaller birds.

SKILLINGTON

Mrs. Lizzie Vahaw of Norway spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brinck.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Marshall and son, John, spent the Christmas holidays in Providence, R. I., with Mr. and Mrs. Toker.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Saunders were Kenneth Saunders of Virginia and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Saunders of West Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chapin spent Christmas in Auburn with his brother, Dr. Milan Chapin and family.

Aleona Bean was visiting in Portland last week.

Kaye Blake spent a few days at Bryant Pond this week.

Miss Winona Chapin was home from Simmons College for the holidays. She spent several days with her brother, Charles Chapin, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wight and son Gerald spent Christmas Day with relatives in Berlin.

Mrs. Alden Wilson of West Greenwood called to see her mother and sister at Walter Brown's one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanson spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brooks and family.

Myrna Blake spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. Estes Yates at Swan's Corner. Loreta Blake is visiting with her grandmother this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Young and family of Locke Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bulker and Peggy Ann were at Harold Young's on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Blake enter-

tained her folks on Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. Estes Yates, Laura Yates, Bryce Yates, Russell Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Yates and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Whitman and Wendell, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Whitman, Mrs. Anna Hayes, Elmer Hayes and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes.

Mrs. Vitella Crosby and Durward Mason were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brown and family.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

Mrs. Augustus Carter, Correspondent

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Carter over the holiday week end were: Mr. and Mrs. John Nowlin, and children, Sharon and Donald Nowlin; Raymond Nowlin, Carl Nowlin, George Boisvert, Mrs. Dorothy Onofrio, Mrs. Laura Bennett, Mrs. Marie Naimen, Billy Naimen, Richard Onofrio and Richard Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Buck and Andy were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Jordan, at Locke Mills, Saturday.

Mrs. Richard Carter and sons, David and Timothy, have been ill with the gripe.

Miss Joan Ward and Miss Galley Brooks spent a few days with Mrs. Pat Dorson at Portland last week.

Miss Elizabeth Ward spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed spent the week end at Durham.

Augustus Carter left Sunday for Crystal, N. H., where he has employment.

Bees must travel an average of 100,000 miles to gather a single pound of honey.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent

Earle Dolphin, a lay preacher and principal of New Sharon high school, will preach Sunday mornings during the month of January at the Universalist Church.

Among the large Christmas family gatherings was the one at the American Legion Hall, Sunday. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hollis, Earle Hollis, Miss Melba Edwards of Norway; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gibbs, South Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Gibbs, Michael and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. William Corbett, Donna Lee and Buddy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vaughn and George, Livermore Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Windsor Abbott, Loyd, Gloria, Bruce and Cynthia.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Rollins of Springfield, Mass., Wednesday for a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Mayhew and sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jackson.

The Misses Beverly and Betty Smith have been spending the school vacation with relatives in Wilton.

EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Rodney Howe, Correspondent

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haines and family on Christmas Day were Lendall Nevins of Bethel, Shirley Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Curtis and daughters, Maxine and Maude of Poland.

Mrs. Edith Howe left Wednesday to visit relatives at Lewiston and Dorchester, Mass., before leaving for Ormond Beach, Fla., for the winter.

Mrs. Helen Newmarker and daughter, Ann, of Connecticut are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hastings

and family.

Eugene Burns, Victor Perry and William Perry were Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Newton and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville Burns and daughter, Jean, of Norway, called on Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Newton Wednesday.

Mrs. Ida Blake is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hutchinson at Dixfield.

Michigan is leading other states in the study and care of rheumatic fever.

Farm people total one-fifth of the U. S. population but have a third of the nation's children.



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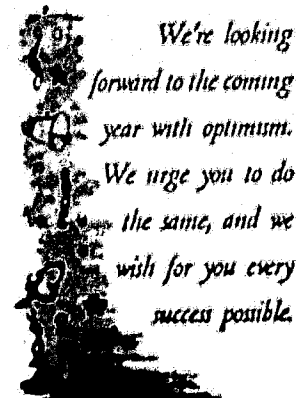
Main Street

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

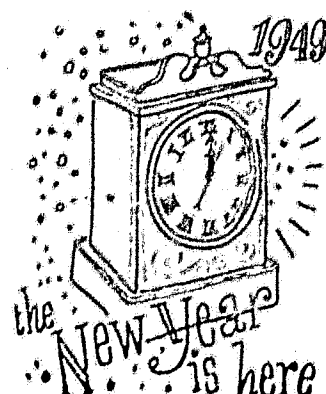


We're hoping for a
few more smiles for
all of us as we look
forward to another
year with you...

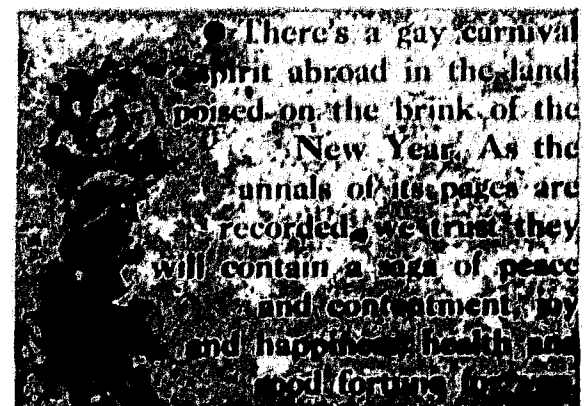
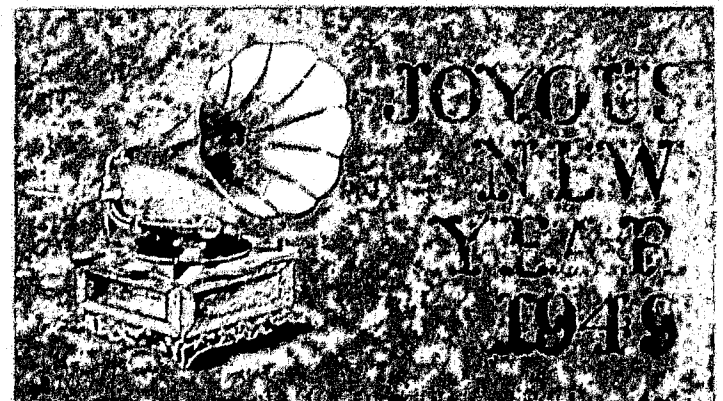
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and
LONG & BLAKE



Greetings
at the start
of a fresh
New Year.

Bethel Market
YOUR FRIENDLY
RED & WHITE STORE



There's a New Year dawning—a year which, we trust, will hold in store for you and yours health, happiness and prosperity in unbounded measure.

The Specialty Shop



A year
brimming with material and
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NEW YEAR
GREETING**

May your
every wish be
granted this
coming year.

Bethel Restaurant

MARY BISHOP, Proprietor



A steady flow
of happy days
all through the
New Year is our
wish for you.

1949

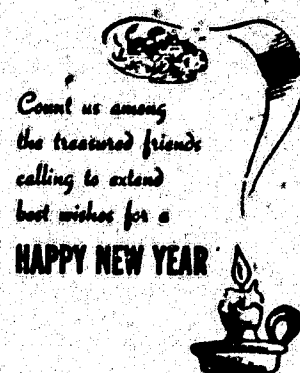
"MUSH" - McMILLIN



May this bright
New Year bring
you all the
things for
which you
have hoped.
We're sure
it will.

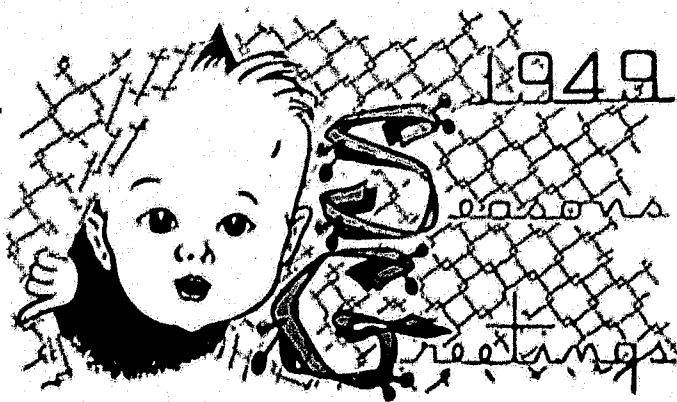
**Gallant's
Service
Station**

Happy Holiday
1949



Count us among
the treasured friends
calling to extend
best wishes for a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Brown's Variety Store



Make way
for a Bright
New Year,
with every good
wish for you.

Bosserman's Pharmacy



It's a very
happy New Year
we're wishing
for you.
Good Luck in '49!

Crockett's Garage
RAY CROCKETT & SON



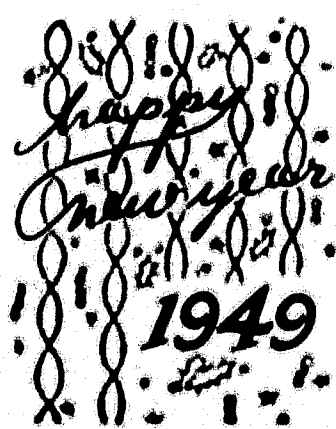
This is a good time, we
think, to pledge ourselves
to better serving you.
We appreciate past favors
and hope to merit your
continued good will.

Charles E. Merrill
BETHEL LUMBER MARKET



A YEAR
CHOCK FULL OF
THE BEST OF EVERY
THING IS OUR
NEW YEAR WISH
FOR YOU.

Russell's Village Store
HANOVER, MAINE



AND LET
THE JOYS OF
THIS SEASON
STAY WITH
YOU
ALL YEAR.

THE DRESS SHOP



WE HOPE YOUR
NEW YEAR STARTS
ON A CHEERFUL
NOTE AND HOLDS
THE TUNE ALL
THROUGH 1949.

**DICK YOUNG'S
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MAY YOUR TABLE
BE FILLED WITH
GOOD FOOD AND
YOUR HOURS
WITH WORTHWHILE
DEEDS ALL
THROUGH THE YEAR
THAT LIES AHEAD.

Brown's Garage
Top Hat Pavilion



We send you
our kindly
greeting as
the New Year
dawns.

Ruth Carver Ames



† † On the dawn of the
New Year, we pause once
again to express our best
wishes for the coming
twelvemonth.

We trust you'll cut many
fancy Figure Eights on
your journey thru 1949.



BUCKY'S



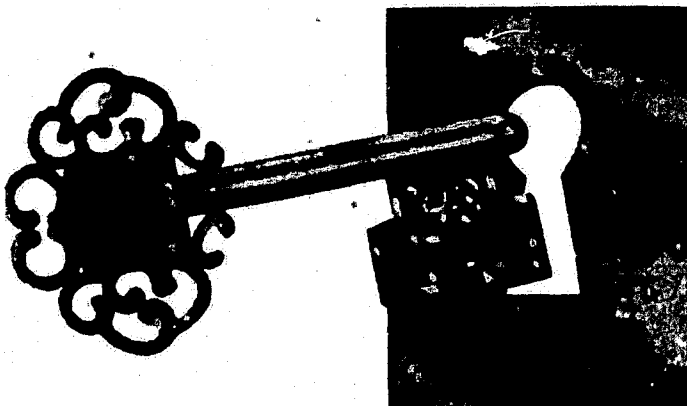
Swinging in
to say **HAPPY
NEW YEAR**
...To all this
town's fine people.

Ogden Furniture Co.
HANOVER



May your year be
blessed by threes:
Happy Days! Fruitful Days!
Friendly Days!

Gould Academy
Elwood F. Ireland, Headmaster



happy
New Year
you ever had
... Greetings
from

Bennett's Garage, Inc.



We Sense...

a New Year filled
with plenty of good
things for the people
of this community.

We're happy and
proud to be a part
of it. Best wishes!

D. Grover Brooks



KEEP THE
NEW YEAR'S
SPIRIT
FOR THE
NEXT
TWELVE
MONTHS. 1949

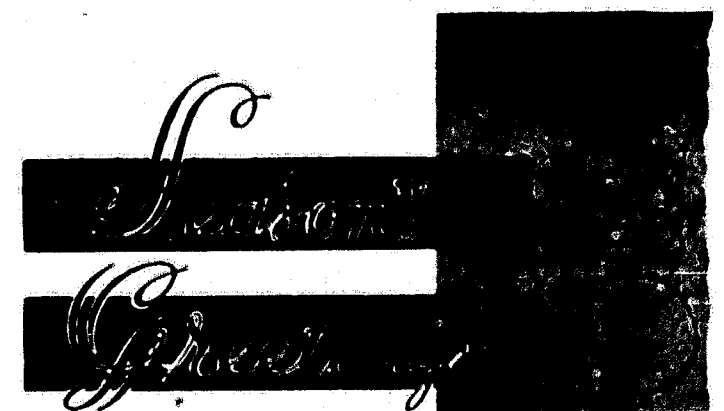


Bethel Maingas Co.
WARREN M. BEAN



There are more riches in
the simple, joyous arrival
of a New Year than any
golden coffers can hold.
We choose some of them
for you in 1949—health,
peace of mind, security
and the love and respect
of your friends. In short, a
HAPPY NEW YEAR.

COTTON'S



Time whirls on in its
inexorable flight. We trust
the New Year will see
all your most cherished
hopes come true.
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Central Service Station

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FOR SALE - Four 6.5-15 three in good condition. FRANK HUNT, 521f

FOR SALE - Air tight cast iron stove, #20. JASPER CATKES, R. F. D. 1, Bethel. 521f

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SMALL CALENDAR PADS. One cent each. CITIZEN OFFICE. 55

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FOR SALE - Tree ripened oranges, grapefruit and tangerines direct from tree to you. \$2.00 a 55 lb. bushel with order. Express charges collect. L. KNOLL, Longwood, Florida. 53

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APPLES - McIntosh, Wealthy and Winter varieties. Bring containers. Delivered in Bethel. BIRCH KNOLL ORCHARD, Everett Bean, Phone 28-2. 52

362 ACRES FARM - 7 room house, porch, shed, running water in house and barn. Barn 40x30 feet. steel roof, milk room, on black road, buildings set well back from road. Good elevation. Lumber enough to more than pay for same. Price, \$4000. E. M. BESSEY, Phone Rumford 915-M3. 42f

FOR SALE - 6 and 8 inch Pine Clapboards, well-seasoned lumber at reasonable prices. O. K. CLIFFORD, South Paris. 57f-1f

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent

The E. L. Tebbets Spool Co. mill was closed down last Thursday noon, work to be resumed on January 10.

Theodore Cummings who attended Pennsylvania State College was at his home for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs John Tebbets and son have moved into their new home on the Greenwood road.

Mrs Julia Coolidge who was severely injured when struck by a car a week ago is still in a critical condition at Rumford hospital.

The following service men have been spending a few days at their home: Herman Cummings II from Great Lakes Naval Training Station; Richard Melville from Norfolk, Va.; Harry Swan, Fort Myers, Va.; and Charles Melville II from Camp Lee, Va. Merle Lang of West Paris who is stationed at Camp Lee, Va., has been calling on friends in the place.

Miss Constance Coolidge is enjoying a vacation at her home from the Northeastern Business College at Portland.

Mr and Mrs Malcolm Packard and daughter, Sharon, of West Paris were week end guests at the home of A. G. Coolidge.

Mr and Mrs Lloyd Marston of Auburn and Mr and Mrs Roger Twitchell and family of Bryant Pond were recent guests of their parents, Mr and Mrs Lewis Tirrell. Leroy Martin Jr. is at Auburn with his mother, Mrs Laurence Twine, and family for awhile.

Mrs Bertha Emmons is gaining from her recent illness. Her son, Richard, who is having a vacation from the U. of M. has been caring for her.

The second Child Health Conference will be held at the school building next Wednesday, Jan. 5, at 10 o'clock.

The Locke Mills Boy Scout Troop No. 160 held their regular meeting Tuesday evening, December 28, with eleven regulars and three beginners present. They were: Verne B. Corkum, scout master; David Jordan, Hugh Swan, Carroll Melville, Gary Melville, Bud Howar, Lloyd Cole, Dean Bennett, Arnold Jordan, Palmer Robinson, Verne Corkum, Paul Bartlett, all regulars; Daniel Cole, Roland Martin and Albert Cross, beginners.

An instructive talk and demonstration on First Aid was given by Captain Lapham. This is only one of the important items in a Boy Scout's training.

Plans were made for the three

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WANTED

Summer Housekeeping Camps wanted June 9 to July 13, by people attending conference at Gould Academy, camps on lakes or ponds not over 50 miles from Bethel. Contact GOULD ACADEMY OFFICE, 1

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FOR RENT - Now to June 1. Six room furnished flat, oil burning furnace, hot water and shower. Man and wife preferred. Owner wants board and room. GILMAN WHITMAN, Tel. 9-5, Bryant Pond. 41f

MISCELLANEOUS

Leave Shoes at Chamberlain's Store for repair and clothes to clean Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. EXCEL CLEANERS and DYERS, INC., Auburn, Maine. 44f
LEAVE SHOES AT EARL DAVIS' for repair. RICHEN'S SHOE SHOP, Gorham, N. H. 40f

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent

Dan Barnett recently returned from the hospital in Berlin, N. H. Lee Barnett has finished his work in the woods in Northern Maine near Canada and returned home.

Mr and Mrs Dan Barnett had a family gathering on Christmas Day. Those present were Mrs Katherine Enman and family, Mr and Mrs Willard Wight and family of North Newry, Mr and Mrs Dwight Weston and family of Rumford, Mr and Mrs James Barnett and family of Errol, N. H., Miss Phyllis Barnett of Rumford, Malcolm and Leo Barnett.

Mr and Mrs C. A. Judkins had a family gathering on Christmas Sunday the 28th. Those present were: Mrs Bertha Judkins, Mr and Mrs Fred S. Judkins and family, Mr and Mrs Albert E. Judkins and family, Mr and Mrs Roland Bernier and family, Leo Bernier, Kendrick and Ruth Judkins; Mr and Mrs Sidney Abbott and family of East Sumner.

Miss Ruth E. Judkins was home last week and this week from the University of Maine for vacation.

Mrs Lavonne Whitney, who has been working in Rumford, is home with her son, Orvis Powell, and family.

Mr and Mrs Fred S. Judkins and family spent Christmas Day with her family, the Hathaways, in Bryant Pond.

Mr and Mrs Richard Williamson and family spent several days last week with her relatives in Bangor.

Donald Fraser has gone to the Veterans' Hospital at Togus for treatment.

Mrs Maggie Thompson, Mrs Tom Chappel and daughter, Sadie, of Muscouche, P.E.I., were guests of Mrs Dan Barnett one day last week. James Barnett, Mr and Mrs Edgar Worster, and son, Galen, of Connecticut were week end guests of Mr and Mrs A. E. Allen.

2nd class scouts to lay out trails by which the remaining tenderfoot scouts can seek to qualify on their tracking test for 2nd class.

An instructive game was played, followed by the usual closing allegiance to the flag.

The next meeting will be held January 4.

TOP HAT

Friday, December 31
New Year's Eve

New and Old
Dances

LORD'S ORCH.

50c plus tax 9 to 1

Balloons to Drop
at Midnight

FUN FOR ALL

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister
Church School begins at 9:30 each Sunday.

Morning Worship 11:00.

METHODIST CHURCH

William Penner, Pastor

9:45 Church School. Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship service, sermon theme, "Your 1949 Calendar."

7 p. m. Youth Fellowship meeting at the church.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Public service to which all who are interested are cordially invited will be held on further notice.

Golden Text: "As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried; he is a buckler to all them that trust in him. For who is God, save the Lord? and who is a rock, save our God?" (II Samuel 22: 31, 32).



By REV. ROBERT H. HARPER

The World in Which Jesus Lived.

Lesson for January 2: Galatians 4:4; Luke 2:1-7; Matthew 22: 15-16; 23-25.

Memory Selection: Galatians 4:4
DURING six months of 1949 we shall have studies in the life of Jesus—in the first quarter events in the Galilean ministry. Passages of today's lesson are so grouped as to give a picture of the world in which Jesus lived.

These passages show that the world of Jesus was that of the Roman Empire, his province was Judea, and his native city Bethlehem. Augustus was emperor when Jesus was born; Tiberius when Jesus was crucified.

The temple was still the center of Jewish religion. When Jesus was twelve, Joseph and Mary went with him to the passover in Jerusalem. Shortly before Jesus entered upon his ministry, John the Baptist, his great forerunner, came preaching in the wilderness of Judea.

Several sects were rivals for influence among the people, chiefly the Pharisees and the Sadducees. They were bitter opponents of Jesus and his work.

It was indeed the fullness of time when Jesus came. The wide conquests of Rome had brought enforced peace to the greater part of mankind. The Greek language was understood by all cultured men. Lines of travel had been extended by land and sea. And there was a growing expectancy of some great event for mankind. It was an opportune time when Jesus came. Let us find in the conditions of the present an opportune time for the wider spread of our Lord's kingdom.

The number of hunters this year is estimated to be near 12 million.

From Our Files

10 YEARS AGO - Dec. 22-19, 1938.

George Byrus had a leg amputated following an accident which occurred while he was adjusting a sand spreader on the road near South Paris and was struck by a car driven by George Forbes of Bryant Pond.

Fred Merrill was moving into the Herrick house on Broad Street. Mr and Mrs Dexter Peverly of Bryant Pond observed their 63rd wedding anniversary.

P. H. Chadbourne and Co began sawing pine in their new mill at South Bethel.

"Tommy," prize winning bull of the State of Maine for three years, was slaughtered at Brighton, Mass. He weighed 2300 pounds and was owned by William C. Chapman of Bethel.

Dwight Martin of Greenwood Center escaped with a bruised forehead and severe wetting when his car left the rutted road and went over the embankment and through the ice at South Pond.

Deaths—Mrs Rubie Smith, West Paris; Miss Martha Gibson, Pomona, Calif.; Forest L. Howe, Hanover; Lewis L. Spinney; Herman W. A. Potter, George S. Chapman, Bethel; Priscilla May Davis, Sidney Ring, Bryant Pond.

20 YEARS AGO - Dec. 20-27, 1928.

Percy Walker's skinner and candy attic mill at North Newry was burned.

Carmelo Onofrio was building an airplane at Crockett's Garage.

The Bethel Lions Club was organized in a meeting at the Grange Hall.

The barn at the unoccupied farm of Alfred Adams at Skillington was burned.

A blue spruce tree was taken from George Thompson's lawn and found as a Christmas tree in a local home.

W. L. Chapman was presented with the Boston Post gold-headed cane.

BORN

Dec. 24, to Mr and Mrs Robert Milton Jr of Bryant Pond, a son.

DIED

At Lewiston, Dec. 28, Richard McLaughlin of West Bethel. At Bethel, Dec. 27, Winfield Scott Robertson, aged 90 years.

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK

Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank and numbered 7499 has been lost or destroyed and it is desired that a new book be issued.

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Sawing	\$1.50 per cord
Delivering in Village, full load	\$2.00 per cord
Sawed Slab 2 cords to a load. 4 ft. Slab 3 cords to a load	
BUTTINGS	\$9.00 per large load, delivered

These prices are below the ceilings which were set for this area in November 1944. Terms Cash on delivery.

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BRYANT POND

Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Correspondent

The Bryant Pond Garden Club will meet Thursday afternoon, Jan. 13, with Miss Charlotte Lounds as hostess.

A meeting of the Ladies' Social Union was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Elsie Cole with a good attendance. Members worked on quilt blocks, given by the president, Mrs. Addie Mann. The next meeting will be held Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 25, with Mrs. Cole.

Pupils of the primary school with perfect attendance for the fall term of fifteen weeks are: second grade—Ruth Willard and Christine Berry; first grade—Marge Cox and Wayne Berry; sub-primary—Charles York, Mary Ellen Willard and Stephen Howe.

Work on the new road being built below the village on route 28, was finished for the season, Dec. 23. It will be resumed and the road completed in the spring.

Mr and Mrs LeRoy Ervin and sons, Dudley and James, of Corinna, were the guests of Mrs. Ervin's parents, Mr and Mrs Dana O. Dudley, for the holiday week end.

Mr and Mrs G. Howard Judkins entertained as Christmas guests: Mrs. Evelyn Taylor, Miss Betty Orway, Mr and Mrs Wesley Moore and daughter Charlene, of Frye, and Mr and Mrs Walter Orway.

A Christmas party at the home of Mr and Mrs H. Kirke Stowell, included besides their immediate family, Mr and Mrs Fred Milton, Mr and Mrs Roger Milton, Mr and Mrs Robert Milton and sons Robert Jr., and Fred, and Mr and Mrs Robert Lowell, all of South Paris. Mr and Mrs Robert Milton Jr. are announcing the birth of a son, Dec. 24.

Mrs. Olive Lurvey of Bethel was the guest of Mrs. Silvia Judkins, Tuesday.

Christmas Day guests of Mr and Mrs Rupert Hathaway were Mr and Mrs John Fellerline of Portland, Mr and Mrs Elden Hathaway and children, Michael and Susan.

Mr and Mrs Leslie Abbott spent Christmas Day with their daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Donald Bennett, at Locke Mills.

Mr and Mrs James Billings joined a holiday family group of thirty at the home of her, Mr and Mrs Oscar Twitchell.

Miss Ann McDonald of Yarmouth is visiting her aunt, Mrs. James Billings.

Mr and Mrs J. Douglas Thompson entertained over the holiday, his mother, Mrs. Sarah Thompson, and sister, Miss Barbara Thompson of Newcastle and Harry Haggatt of Wisconsin.

Mr and Mrs Herman E. Billings were the Christmas guests of Mr and Mrs B. R. Billings.

Mr and Mrs Roger Twitchell and family are moving Dec. 30 to Quebec, Vt., where he has employment on a large farm.

Mr and Mrs Fred Whitman were

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. C. James Knights, Correspondent

Mr and Mrs Clinton Buck entertained their family at a Christmas tree, Friday, Christmas Eve.

Mr and Mrs Carroll Yates and children were Christmas guests of his sister, Mrs. Clayton Blake and family at Bethel.

Mrs. Sherwood Buck and family entertained her father, Herbert Noyes, also her sister and family, Mr and Mrs Daniel Brown of Carthage.

Mr and Mrs Herman Cole, son Richard, and Mary A. Knights were guests of Mr and Mrs Otis Dudley and family.

Mr and Mrs C. James Knights and family entertained Mr and Mrs Everett Cole, daughter Lorraine, also her father, Francis Cole, from the Noyes nursing home, West Paris.

Mrs. C. James Knights and children were at Norway last Wednesday.

Mrs. Everett Cole and daughter, Lorraine, of Topsfield, Mass., are spending this week at home.

Richard Cole of the Brunswick annex is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr and Mrs Herman Cole. This week he is spending several days at the University of Maine for 4-H honors.

Mrs. Leslie Bryant visited Wednesday with Mrs. Edgar Davis. Miss June Bryant visited with Mrs. Lee Billings.

Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs Lee Billings has been sick with intestinal flu.

Mr and Mrs Earle Whitney visited Saturday night and Sunday with his brother and wife, Mr and Mrs Ed Whitney, Watertown, Mass.

Francis Cole of the Noyes nursing home, West Paris, visited Wednesday with his son, Everett Cole and family.

A Christmas program was presented by the Sunday school. A tree with gifts for all children also pop corn and candy were served. There was a large attendance.

Penn State and Pittsburg University football teams have met for 48 seasons.

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Mrs Carroll Yates and the Christmas guests of Mrs Clayton Blake and Ethel.

Wood Buck and family, her father, Herbert, her sister and family, Daniel Brown of Car-

Mrs Herman Cole, son Mary A Knight were and Mrs Otis Dudley

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